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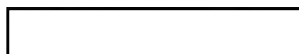
IMAGERY COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS SUBCOMMITTEE OF COMIREX

MINUTES OF MEETING

10:00 - 12:45, 29 July 1969

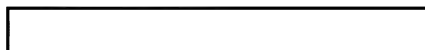
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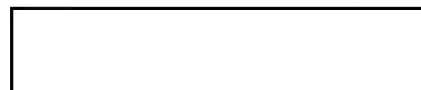


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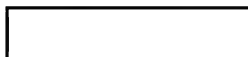


Mr. J. C. St. Cyr, OACSI
Mr. J. Urban, ONI



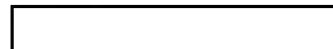
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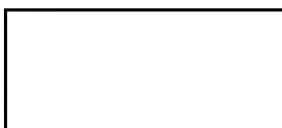
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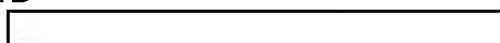
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OBSERVERS PRESENT



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1. [redacted] NRO, were present to address the NRO memorandum dated 8 July 1969.

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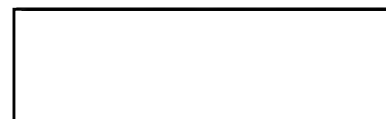
2. [redacted] noted that the NRO is aggressively pursuing improvement in color film characteristics and resolution and there is some degree of confidence that color film on thin base film is approaching the present resolution capabilities of black and white film and would be available by the time [redacted] He stated, however, that there is no requirement on the books for extensive use of color for the [redacted] said that the NRO was looking at selective processing of color to

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Group I

cluded from automatic down-
grading and declassification



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NRO review(s) completed.

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conserve costs while providing color to the customers who really require it and then only on the targets which have a color requirement. This would also preserve most of the resolution of the B&W film where color is not required. [] recommended ICRS receive the briefing being prepared by [] on this subject.

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6. [] stated he supported further use of color for R&D purposes but that the intelligence value of color has not been proven as yet. He would be inclined to limit the use of color, with its present capabilities as no significant intelligence has been derived from color as yet.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

9. The draft minutes for the meeting of 15 July 1969 were approved with minor editorial changes.

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REPORT ON SATELLITE OPERATIONS

10. [] reported that there was no change to the launch schedule as presented at the last meeting with the exception that the 3 September launch date for 1052 was not firm. The entire CORONA schedule is to be reviewed on 15 August 1969, and therefore all planning criteria and orbit select information for 1052 will be needed by 5 August 1969. Schedule is as follows:

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CORONA

1052 - 3 Sep 69 (Last J-1)

11. [] reported that the forward looking camera had failed on rev 1. No MC&G requirements could be met since this is a stereo requirement. He noted the weather was generally poor and they were planning on a 9 day first-bucket.

12. [] reported that he had been directed to insure special attention was given to the Sino-Soviet border area on 1107 because of high level interest in this area. Since most of the border area was in the Priority One Holiday Area, a lower weather criteria was recommended to the NRO.

SOUTH CHINA/NORTH VIETNAM PRIORITIES LIST

13. No changes were made to the priorities list.

TARGET UPDATES

14. The weekly transaction sheets containing: 134 Additions
37 Changes
6 Reactivates
78 Inactivates
76 Deletions were approved.

One hundred and twenty-seven (127) actions (119 Additions, 6 Changes, and 2 Inactivates) were held in a pending status until the next meeting.

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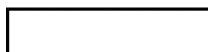
OTHER BUSINESS



16. CUBA

DIA noted that a temporary standdown of OLD HEAD missions was in effect but that SAC could resume flights in 24 hours once the standdown was lifted.

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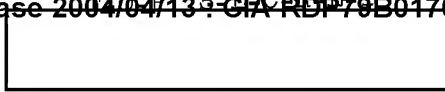
noted that CUBA area coverage stood at 94%, based on the sliding scale period.



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Acting Chairman
Imagery Collection Requirements
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IMAGERY COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE OF COMIREX

AGENDA

10:00, 29 July 1969, [] Headquarters

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1. Approval of Minutes - 15 July Meeting.
2. Operational Report - NRO
3. South China/North Vietnam Priorities List
(ICRS-D-6/18-4, 16 July 1969)

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5. Update COMIREX File - Pages 397 thru 448
6. Other Business

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